Laboratories and Extension agencies advise the farmers on balanced and efficient use of fertilisers/manures.

(2) Under the "Training and Visits" system being implemented in 14 major States, viz. Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala. Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal, latest technology is transferred to the farmers from Research Scientists through subject matter Specialists| Extension Officers|Village Level Workers through fortnightly visits.

(3) Under the 'farmers exchange programme' their visits are arranged to the other States to acquaint with the modern crop production technology.

(4) Indian Council of Agricultural Research in association with their chain of Research Institutes and the State Agricultural Universities operate first-line activities through their Krishi Vigyan Kendra/Lab to Land programmes and National demonstrations.

(5) Intensive Fertiliser Promotion campaign has been launched through lead fertiliser manufacturers in 104 selected districts which have sufficient rainfall|good irrigation but low fertiliser consumption.

Amount Sanctioned for NREP in U.P.

U.P.

2925. Dr. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount sanctioned under the National Rural Employment Programme to Uttar Pradesh during the current financial year;

(b) the number of persons benefited under the programme in Uttar Pradesh during the current year;

(c) whether any progress report about the implementation of the programme in Uttar Pradesh has been received from the State Government; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) The amount allocated to U.P. as Central assistance under National Rural Employment Programme for the year 1985-86 is Rs. 39.22 crores. Out of this an amount of Rs. 2289.75 lakhs has already been released to the State.

(b) The employment generated under the Programme is monitored in terms of mandays and not in terms of persons employed. The employment generated under the Programme in U.P. during the current year comes to 85.67 lakh mandays as per the reports received so far.

(c) Monthly progress reports for the months from April to July, 1985 have been received from the Government of U.P.

(d) A copy each of these reports is enclosed. [*See* Appendix CXXXV, *Annexure No.* 59.]

Sale of imported sugar through fair price shops

2926. DR. SHANTI G. PATEL:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRI BISWA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the sale of imported sugar has been ordered through fair price shops;

(b) whether it is a fact that a number of fair price shops are not having stocks of imported sugar particularly in Delhi and Bombay; and

(c) whether Government propose to make suitable arrangements for the sale of imported sugar through fair